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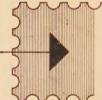
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# News, Views and Comments

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Garfield Perry Stamp Club's 70th Anniversary March Party

HE 70th Anniversary March Party of Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, will be held March 18, 19, 20, 1960 at Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio. Chairman is Dr. Jack Gluck, 2534 Kemper Road, Cleveland 20, Ohio.

On Friday evening, following a brief business session at 8:00 P.M., the anniversary celebration will begin. Charles Day, news editor of Radio-T.V. Station WGAR, Cleveland, will give the highlights and show slides of his trip to Russia. Mr. Day was a member of the delegation which accompanied Vice President Richard M. Nixon on his trip to Russia. Following the entertainment, refreshments will be served. This is an open meeting, and the ladies are cordially invited.

The exhibition and bourse will open at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, closing at 10:00 P.M. The hours on Sunday will be 12:00 noon to 5:00 P.M. A branch philatelic post office will be open on both days during the afternoon only.

the afternoon only.

A "Hi-Hat" auction by Nelson P. LaGanke is scheduled for 3:30 P.M. Saturday. The dealers' bourse at the exhibition is also in charge of Mr. LaGanke.

The anniversary banquet is on Saturday evening at 6:30 P.M. Following the dinner there will be an hour of entertainment, after which the tropies will be presented to the exhibition winners. Members who exhibit will compete for four trophies to be awarded to first place winners in the various classes and one trophy for Grand Award or Best in Show.

One guest exhibit will come from Dr. Fred C. Brock, Burbank, California, and will show "Postal Markings, Civilian Mail of French Occupied Countries, 1792-1814". Another will be an unusual exhibit from the Dr. J. C. McDonald family, Canton, Ohio. Dr. McDonald will exhibit U.S. Cancellations and Mrs. McDonald will show B.N.A. and Postal History.

Interesting cacheted covers are being sponsored by Garfield-Perry, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the flight of Glenn H. Curtiss from Cleveland to Cedar Point in 1910. It was the longest flight over water to that date. These covers will be available from the Club in three different colors, complete with stamp and special club exhibition cancellation.

For further details on these cacheted covers see advertisement in the Trading Post section under "covers" in this issue.

### COMPEX 1960

HE 1960 exhibition of the Combined Philatelic Exhibition of Chicagoland, Incorporated, (COMPEX, 1960), will take place May 28-30, 1960 at the La Salle Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. The theme will evolve around the People-to-People Program, inaugurated by President Eisenhower in 1956, and

which has been on an ever-expanding basis ever since that time. Emphasis in this show will of course be on the philatelic aspect, and will show how our hobby plays an important part in the world peace and world friendship program.

The officers of COMPEX are James J. Matejka, Jr., president; Roger A. Swanson, vice president; Howard J. Selzer, secretary; and Earl H. Wellman, treasurer. Information can be obtained on any particular points of interest to you by writing COMPEX, Suite 216, La Salle Hotel, Chicago 2, Illinois.

Two floors of the hotel have been set aside for the exhibition. There will be about forty dealers in the bourse, and a philatelic window of the Post Office will be set up on the eighteenth floor.

The Jack Knight Air Mail Society will be among the societies participating with their own members' exhibits, and a special meeting and auction. A committee has



The McDonald family of Canton, Ohio, all avid stamp collectors, who have created so much interest in their collecting activities that the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club has invited them to enter a block of frames in the non-competitive section of the exhibition held in connection with their March Party, March 18-20, 1960. Left to right: Bruce, 15, who collects U. S.; Barbara, 16, B.N.A. and QEII; Mrs. J. C. McDonald, Trans-Atlantic Mail Covers and II. S.-Canada cross-border covers; John, 12, general collection and animals on stamps; Scott, 8, just starting to be bitten by the philatelic bug; Dr. McDonald, U. S. Foreign Mail and Fancy Cancellations of 19th century, and unusual covers of 3c browns and 3c greens; Marian II, horses and general; Tom, 14, U. S. commemoratives. "Salt", the white West Highland Terrior, collects nothing but bones. The handsome black Newfoundland dog is named "Penny" after Britain's first stamp.

been formed under the chairmanship of Theo Light to handle this group's participation in the mammoth show. An invitation to airmail collectors of the country to exhibit has been extended by Mr. Light, who has copies of the prospectus and the auction catalog for interested collectors. These are available from Theo Light, 5033 No. Bernard, Chicago 25, Illinois, as well as any further information on the Jack Knight portion of the show, or on the Society itself, which is international in scope of membership and airmail interests. The Society publishes the Jack Knight Air Log, which goes to all members, and carries news and articles of interest in the field of airmails and aerophilately.

The Jack Knight auction will be held on Sunday, May 29th, and will feature hard-to-locate general run aero material, and will include lots of CAMS, FAMS, Jets, air stamps, semi-official airmail issues, zeppelin covers, rocket mail, and aerophilatelic literature.

COMPEX is planning a flight to London, England, for the international exhibition taking place there July 9-16, 1960. Information about this appeared in STAMPS of February 6th, and anyone wishing further details can contact COMPEX, 10 N. LaSalle St., Suite 216, Chicago 2, Illinois.

### Special Flight and Tour of Mexico

THE Jack Knight Air Mail Society is also planning a special flight, this one to take in a fifteen-day tour of Mexico City and the colonial cities of Central Mexico. The safari is especially designed to develop friendship and build better international understanding. Tour memberships are open to collectors of Mexican stamps and covers. Three societies are cooperating in this "People-to-People" tour that will bring together in Mexico City June 25-29, 1960, collectors from many corners of the world who have a common interest in Mexico.

The group will leave on June 24th aboard a DC-7 of American Airlines. Postal officials of Mexico are cooperating with the Sociedad Filatelica

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de Mexico, the Elmhurst Philatelic Society, and the Jack Knight Air Mail Society, to present a special program of events and tours in the Mexico City area.

Lic. Murillo Vidal, the Postmaster General, has announced over TV and in the press of Mexico that as a part of the approved stamp program for 1960, Mexico will overprint a stamp for the Philatelic Congress in Mexico City, June 25-29, 1960.

On June 30th the group will leave Mexico City to visit Queretero, San Miguel Allende, Guanajuato, Morelia, Volcano Paracutin, Lago de Patzcuaro, San Jose de Purua, Taxco, and Cuernavaca. On the morning of July 10th the group will board one of CIA Mexicana's new jets at Mexico City for a three-hour return flight to Chicago.

Earl H. Wellman is serving as chairman of this International Friendship Event, and collectors collectors seeking information can contact him at 3532 Oak Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois. All reservations for tour and hotel space must clear through his office, and at the earliest possible date as these events take place in the height of the tourist season. No requests can he handled after May 15th. Aside from the extensive program and itinerary planned, there will be abundant time and opportunity to meet collectors and dealers in Mexico on an open house plan being developed. This will allow for an unprecedented exchange of ideas at the various planned receptions and functions that the commission of the Sociedad Filatelica de Mexico under Lic. Jose Cossio, its chairman, are sponsoring. If you collect Mexico this is a once in a lifetime opportunity to visit this wonderful and scenic neighboring country south of the Rio Grande. -H. L. LINDQUIST

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Feb. 18—Squaw Valley (Olympic Valley) — Send covers to Postmaster, Tahoe City, Calif.

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April 7-Washington, D. C .- 4c World Refugee Year April 18—Washington, D. C.—Water

Conservation

April 22—San Francisco, Calif.—25c "Liberty" airmail

May 18 - Charlottesville, Virginia - 4c Jefferson Credo

May 28-Chicago, Illinois-21/2c stamped envelope

June 10—Miami, Florida—10c "Lib-erty" Airmail June 17—Santa Fe, New Mexico—11/4c

Palace of Governors, regular issue. June 25-Birmingham, Alabama-11/4c

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### POLPEX 1960 to Commemorate Paderewski's Birth

POLONUS Philatelic Society will commemorate two events of historical importance to all Poles in their annual exhibition of Polish stamps. The Society has set for its theme this year, the commemoration of the centennial of Poland's first stamp and the 100th anniversary of the birth of Ignacy Jan Paderewski.

In this connection, Polonus has adopted a resolution to urge the postal authorities to issue stamps to commemorate Paderewski's birth with the issuance of special stamps. Hundreds of copies of the resolution have already been signed by various Polish Societies and others throughout our nation and have been forwarded to Washington for consideration. There will be many more signatures obtained at this

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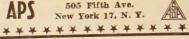
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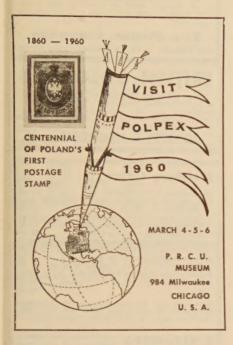
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The Society meets every second and fourth Friday of the month, 8 p.m., Falcons Hall 1062 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago. Membership is open to anyone who collects Poland or is of Polish descent.

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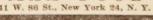
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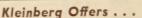
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Our thanks to Richard J. Prince, Allentown. Pennsylvania, for a first day cover of the U.S. Boy Scout stamp issued February 8, 1960, and with the Boy Scout stamp of 1950 also affixed.

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Dr. Erich Hausmann, dean emeritus of the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, was named on Sunday, February 7, 1960, the 1960 recipient of the Gano Dunn Medal for professional achievement. Presentation was made at a dinner, February 13th, at the Waldorf-Astoria. Dr. Hausmann is a long-time member of the Collectors Club of New York, and a Chile specialist. The award was established six years ago by the Alumni Association of the Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, to honor outstanding alumni of that institution's engineering and art school. Our thanks to Carl Pelander for this information.

Ralph Hoffman, veteran Cincinnati philatelist and stamp dealer, has been appointed stamp and coin news editor for The Cincinnati Enquirer, eleventh daily newspaper in the world. He will conduct a weekly column every Sunday, the first one having been February 21, 1960. Mr. Hoffman has been a professional philatelist for fifteen years, and has been active in Cincinnati and national philatelic circles. His retail stamp shop is at 439 Race St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

## George Ritter

WE learn with deepest regret of the death on February 5, 1960, of George Ritter, of Tampa, Florida. He was recently hospitalized at the American Medical Center in Denver, Colorado, which is where he was at the time of death. His body was returned to Florida, and burial took place on February 10th.

Mr. Ritter was active in philatelic affairs for many years, and had a variety of philatelic collecting interests. In recent years he had concentrated largely on rocket mails, and was very active in the rocket society, although still interested in other fields. He had a host of friends, and will be greatly missed.

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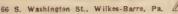
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Design of World Refugee Year Stamp

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Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield, in announcing the theme of the stamp, observed: "President Eisenhower emphasized in his proclamation announcing United States participation that one of the major goals of the World Refugee Year is to 'focus interest on refugee problems.'

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# CHOPIN—

# Poland's Greatest Musical Genius

By TED GASIOR

REDERIC Chopin was born in 1810 in the small village of Zelazowa Wola near Warsaw, Poland. Despite the fact that his family was very poor, his parents struggled desperately to give him a good musical education so that he might develop his outstanding talents.

After completing his basic instructions on the piano, he was forced to leave his native country because of discovery by the Russian authorities of his active participation in Polish Revolutionary Movements. He fled to Paris in 1831, and as he was virtually unknown there, he was forced to teach to support himself and consequently had very little time to compose. Eventually, with the aid of Mme. George Sand, a well known French writer, he began to rise to fame and appeared in many concerts. It was in this period of his life that most of his greatest works were written. It was also the period in which Poland was being subjected to tremendous Russian persecution.

Since the Polish Revolutionists were in great need of financial aid, he devoted the latter years of his short life to the cause by giving many concerts throughout Europe. He was in very poor health, however, and in a very short time thereafter he died in Paris without ever seeing his beloved homeland and

family again. It was in the year 1849.

Chopin is certainly Poland's most celebrated musician and composer, and he is credited with paving the way for the introduction of all modern piano music. This great master was a true genius because of the fact that he was able to compose music when he was only a small child. Although he lacked a Conservatory education, he was able to play the piano so remarkably well that he gave many concerts when he was in his teens, including a very noteworthy one in Vienna in 1824, when he was 19, and at which time he played many of his own compositions.

Chopin's fame rests chiefly on his compositions for the piano, for he had a perfect appreciation of every effect which that instrument can produce. His compositions are numerous and varied, inspired by his love of Mme. Sand and of his beloved Poland. These two inspirations were greatly reflected in his own personal life. His "Preludes" was written when he was vacationing on the island of Majorca with Mme. Sand, and since they are joyful compositions, it shows that at that period of his life he was very happy. But on the other hand, Chopin composed his famous Funeral March and his fifteen Polonaises when he was living a life of



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extreme sadness as a result of the suffering of his native country. The music has an undercurrent of melancholy that suggests the very unhappy lot of his beloved compatriots who were fighting so desperately for Poland's freedom.

His Mazurkas, Waltzes, Etudes and Nocturnes, which number over 100, are a complete revelation of his dreamy romantic nature and of his love for new and exquisite harmonies. Many of these compositions were also inspired by his love of Poland, but because they were not of a somber mood, they were products of dreams which involved a recollection of his happy childhood days when he lived with his family in Poland. His tremendous longing to return once more to Poland and to see his family and friends is profoundly evident in all his composi-

Chopin revolutionized the art of writing pianoforte pieces, but more important he began the development of Polish music. His national dances became the foundation for future compositions and were used extensively in opera, symphony, and concertos by succeeding Polish composers

Chopin's music is immortal. One has only to attend a concert, a piano



Poland Nos. 666-667, issued 1955, also to publicize the Chopin competition.



Left, Chopin on Poland's 40g stamp of 1927, Scott #243; center, Scott #544, showing design of set of three issued in 1955 to publicize the Fifth Int'l. Competition of Chopin's music; right, Scott #465, issued 1950.

recital, listen to the radio, or watch television to realize that his works are eternal favorites. Unlike many other greats in the field of the arts. even his own age recognized his greatness. Mendelsohn, born the same year as Chopin, said of his music, "It is so perfectly beautiful that I could go on forever playing it.''

Poland honored her great musical genius by issuing many postage stamps with his likeness. The first appeared in 1927 a 40 gr. blue (Scott's 243) on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of his death.



Chopin on Scott #398, in Poland's 1947 set honoring famous Poles.

In 1947 Poland issued a set honoring famous Poles who contributed to national culture, and among them was a 3 gr. Prussian green (Scott's 398) showing Chopin. This same stamp appeared a little later in a changed color (Scott's 407), and still again in a souvenir sheet, along with the other values of the set (Scott's 412A).

In 1950 a set of three stamps was issued honoring cultural leaders Adam Mickiewicz, F. Chopin, and Julius Slowacki. The Chopin stamp was the 15 zl. brown-red (Scott's

In 1954 the Fifth International Chopin Piano competition was held at Warsaw. On this occasion Poland released a set of three stamps, a 45 gr. brown, 60 gr. green, and 1 zloty blue (Scott's 644-646).

A set of two, a 40 gr. brown and 60 gr. dark blue, appeared shortly after the foregoing for the same occasion (Scott's 666-7).

In 1956 a souvenir sheet emphasizing Polish-Hungarian friendship was issued with profile portraits of Chopin and the Hungarian pianist, Franz Liszt, partly surrounded by a frame in which curved lines simulate the shape of a grand piano.



The 1956 souvenir sheet with profiles of Chopin and the Hungarian pianist, Liszt, marking Polish-Hungarian friendship.

At the time of submitting this article to press we received information that there will be another issue for Chopin in February (this month) on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of his birthday.

Chopin's birthplace is now a national shrine in Poland. At the time that they were rebuilding it, special seals were printed and sold at 50 gr. each to help cover the costs of restoring the building at Zelazowa Wola, Poland.

Not only did Poland honor her son with postage stamp issues, Czechoslovakia pictured *Chopin* on her stamps, as did France and Hungary.

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By PAUL T. SKOVE

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were in Cleveland at the time, and Lew took his band to Euclid Beach in all their sartorial splendor, and they played "The Star Spangled

Banner." The crowds jammed the park on his takeoff, lined the shores of Lake Erie, and filled the park at Cedar Point to see Curtiss land and then make his return trip.

There was a possible purse of \$15,000 awaiting Curtiss at the end of his stunt. The Cleveland Press guaranteed him \$5,000 for the flight; promoters at Euclid Beach offered him \$5,000 if he beat the existing speed records in the air, and the managers of Cedar Point another \$5,000 if he beat the altitude mark of the day. But the fiver was con-



At the top, above is seen the Curtiss Flight plane, in the picture from which the Garfield-Perry S. C. 70th anniversary exhibition seal was reproduced. At the bottom, Curtiss is seen at the controls of his plane at the time of the flight discussed in the accompanying article.



Glenn H. Curtiss in 1910

tent with the original purse of \$5,000.

The thousands lining the shore at Euclid Beach held their breath as the frail machine lumbered along precariously, and they expelled their breath in one common sigh of wonder and relief as space appeared between the bicycle tires and the

The return trip was made on the next day-late because of prevailing winds and inclement weather. "The return trip was the hardest I ever made," said Curtiss. Rain and wind hindered him, and he thought several times that the open biplane would crash into the lake. He made the two trips in nearly three hours. It was the longest trip over water ever made up to that date, and his record remained unchallenged for several years.

Curtiss said, "It was a battle with the air every mile of the way from Cedar Point. At one point, particularly, off the cliffs just before reaching Cleveland, I thought my trip had ended. I was flying 500 feet high, I suddenly dropped a sheer 100 feet. Instinctively I shut my engine partly off. Then I righted my aeroplane and the flight continued. This mishap, which came very near being fatal, was caused by a whirl of wind going the same way I was. The prevailing wind was beating toward me. I was flying into the teeth of a twentymile gale.'

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Seal, slightly enlarged, issued by the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club for their 70th anniversary exhibit, the theme of which is the 50th anniversary of Glenn H.

Curtiss's flight in 1910.

### Glenn H. Curtiss Flight

(Continued from page 320) every fifteen miles. Its gasoline tank held five gallons.

Curtiss averaged 49.8 miles an hour going to Cedar Point, or a mile in 1.21 minutes. His fastest speed was 63.7 miles per hour and his slowest time, when the wind was bad, thirty-five miles an hour.

Aviation leaders in all parts of the country acclaimed the flight as a distinct feat in the progress of man's latest and most daring under-

In May 1910 Curtiss flew from Albany to New York City, averaging fifty-two miles an hour and was awarded \$10,000 by the New York World. With the Albany and Cleveland Press prize money Curtiss established himself as a builder in the aviation field.

Earlier he had been a bicycle mechanic and had invented many

mechanical contraptions. He worked on a heavier-than-air engine that was a success on balloons and lighter-than-air ships. He founded the Curtiss Company, forerunner of the mighty Curtiss-Wright airplane industry.

Curtiss died on July 23, 1930. when he was fifty-two years old.

### London International Exhibition Souvenir Labels

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shows the portrait of Henry Bishop, who was responsible for the issue of the first postage stamp; and the complete sheet illustrates twelve different types of stamps that were issued as a result of Bishop's work.

Sheets of these labels are obtainable from dealers in England at 1/6d, and some dealers in the U.S.A. will have them at 25c each sheet, although we have no information as to which dealers may be able to supply them. If unable to get them elsewhere, we suggest sending your order, with remittance at 25c per sheet, directly to the London International Stamp Exhibition 1960, 13 Goodwins Court, St. Martins Lane, London, W.C. 2. England.

## L. A. Lauritzen

N the passing of L. A. Lauritzen on Saturday, February 13, 1960, Chicago has lost another of its veteran stamp collectors, who had been active since the turn of the century.

It was in 1904 that the writer first met "Laurie" at a meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society, and as we were the only youngsters in the Society at that time, we became close friends.

Together in January 1909 we launched The Collectors Journal of Chicago, which we continued for many years.

"Laurie" was a photographer by profession and had an impressive studio on the south side of Chicago, where we would discuss stamps and publishing while he was developing and printing the photographs he had taken during the day, as well as the hundreds of amateur films that were a large part of his business. Some years ago he sold his business, and since that time has been connected with a portrait studio.

As a stamp collector "Laurie" went in for superb copies of classic issues, and formed several important accumulations, which he sold from time to time as his interests changed. In more recent years, while he continued his interest in these early issues to some extent, he specialized more actively in twentieth century U. S. in plate blocks, and similar

He had been in poor health for some time before his death, and frequently required hospitalization.

He is survived by his wife, Gertrude, and a married daughter who lives in St.

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By Edward A. Livingstone

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Status of Plate Numbers 1938 Presidential Series

There are still thirty-two plate numbers which were assigned to the 1938 Presidentials which have not yet been cancelled by the Bureau.

There are ten in the sheet stamps, as follows: 1c #24253-4; 2c #24247-8; 3c #24341-2-3-4-8-9. Ten for booklet panes: 1c #23230-1, 24091-2; 2c #22643-4, 22934-5; 3c #23847-8. Twelve for horizontal coils: 1c #24118-9, 24239-40; 2c #23070-1, 24027-8, 24120-1; 3c #24279-

It will be noted that only plates for the 1c, 2c, and 3c remain, and none of these plates has been reported as having gone to press. It is probable that they will be cancelled ultimately without impressions reaching the public.

### Agency Plate Number List

The Philatelic Agency recently issued a new list of plate numbers currently available there. This can be obtained by writing The Philatelic Sales Agency, U. S. Post Office Department, Washington 25,

Some of the plate numbers of the Liberty series in this list have been there almost two years, and, although new plate number collectors are always coming along who might be prospective buyers, it would seem that these old plates could be replaced with new ones, particularly in the Liberty series.

In the new 1959 postage due stamps the 5c denomination is the only one appearing in the four plate numbers at the Bureau, these being 26289-90-91-92. All the others have only two plate numbers.

### 3c Vertical Coil 1938 Presidential Plates

Plate No. 22188 for the 3c vertical coil stamp of the Presidential series of 1938 was reported as being cancelled on November 17, 1959, in the November press release of the U.S. Post Office Department. It stated that only 118 impressions reached the public.

It seemed possible, however, that this plate was used as a companion plate with No. 22187 which was cancelled on April 1, 1952, with the report that all impressions from this plate had been destroyed by the Bureau.

On further checking with the Bureau they now have advised that Plate No. 22188 had been erroneously reported and that no impressions from this plate had reached the public, all 118 of them having been destroyed at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.



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*U27	3c red on B 1.00	*U181	6c red on W50	*U324b	4c scarlet on W35	
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# Ignacy Jan Paderewski

By JOSEPH A. BORKOWSKI

THE year 1960 marks the centennial of Paderewski's birthday. It is not only Americans of Polish descent who will honor his memory, but seekers of freedom and justice all over the civilized world will pause to pay respects to one of the twentieth century's greatest musicians, composers, statesmen and humanitarians. The world of his own time recognized Ignacy Paderewski as an unsurpassed musician and piano recitalist.

He was born on November 6, 1860, in Kurylowka, Podolia, Poland. From an early age he showed musical talent. His basic training was under the direction of great teachers at the Conservatory at Warsaw, then at Berlin, and finally at Vienna, under the still living piano teacher Leschetizky.

Paderewski made his debut in Paris in the year 1888, and it proved in every respect a sensation, a pace which was to continue the rest of his days.

In 1891 he made his appearance in New York City. Although his reception was not as glamorous as on the continent, yet his recital was received with acclaim.

It should be of special interest to note how the critics reacted to his person and his renditions. At the

Pittsburgh debut in 1893, a music critic described his personality as a main factor and an essential attribute to his success. While another wrote of him, "He is a Great Poet



Paderewski on Scott's Poland No. 134, 1919.

of the Pianoforte. All his work seems to be done by his wrists and fingers, which appear slender and delicate. His hair would mark him in any gathering, but were it not for his gold cloud which stands out and makes him a conspicuous object for attention, he could appear to be a slender, rather fragile young man. His favorite musical score was Beethoven's One Hundred Eleventh Sonata."

He was not only basking in the light as the acknowledged master of the piano but also as a composer of classical numbers, which were received by the musical world as works of a genius. His only opera, Manru, was well received, and under the

direction of the well known conductor, Walter Damrosch, the score became part of the Metropolitan repertoire. Paderewski composed about 110 musical scores, each a classic.

With the outbreak of World War I in 1914, Paderewski and other contemporary Polish leaders like the famous author, Henryk Sienkiewicz, devoted their time, talents and finances towards the relief of Poles stricken by the effects of the war. As the conflict progressed, the Poles all over the world began to scent the possibility of a free and independent Poland. Unfortunately, there was a lack of united effort, and it appeared that a presentation of a solid front was an impossibility on account of numerous factions, each seeking its own way to win Polish independence. Finally Paderewski was prevailed upon to form a committee that would advocate the cause of Polish Freedom.

At an historical meeting of all Polish societies, held under the auspices of the Polish Falcons of America, April 1 to 4, 1917, at Pittsburgh, Pa., the delegates unanimously agreed on leadership. An invitation was extended to Maestro Paderewski, who appeared before the enthusiastic audience on April 2, 1917, and pleaded, in part, "to form a Kosciuszko Army of 100,000 men for service under the Stars and Stripes." Paderewski personally made the motion. The formal approval did not come until October 1917, but resulted in the recruiting of 30,000 men in the United States, who fought on French and Polish soils, and played a vital part in the resurrection of the Polish State. Because of this existing army, Paderewski was acknowledged as the Polish Nation's leader and consequently headed the Polish delegation at the signing of the Versailles Treaty, which gave the Polish Nation a new birth. He was Prime Minister of Poland from January 17, 1919 to December 9, 1919.

Paderewski was a most generous man. Because of his constant desire (Continued on page 326)

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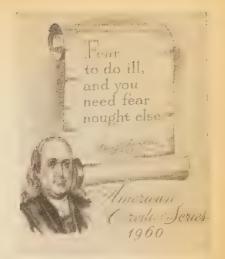
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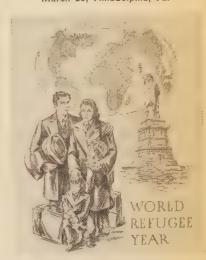
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### Ignacy Jan Paderewski

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to maintain an anonymous nature of his charitable works, it is rather difficult to trace the number of philanthropies he supported. However, we do know of some of his major contributions, such as a benefit concert in Carnegie Hall to aid the Association of Music School Settlements; a concert to help erect the Washington Arch on Washington Square (1904); \$28,000 donated to the American Legion Fund for Disabled Veterans; and a \$11,853.70 gift to the American Red Cross (1932).

There are numerous other donations and contributions which he readily gave. In all, he donated over \$1,000,000.00.

Paderewski staged a musical comeback in the year 1922. Despite his advanced age and political rebuffs, he was regaining some of his musical greatness, and was enthusiastically received wherever he played. But time waits for no one, and the year 1939 marked the end of his illustrious career and final tour.

While in Pittsburgh for his last concert, he gave to the University of Pittsburgh, on the occasion of the dedication of the Polish Room, the manuscript of his only opera, Manru, where it reposes today under the spires of the Cathedral of Learning.

In 1939 Paderewski again was called to head the Polish Government when Hitler's forces overran Poland's borders. However, he was not the Paderewski of 1917. While performing one of his beloved functions, appearing before a gathering of Polish Army Veterans at Oak Ridge, N. J., on June 27, 1941, Paderewski became ill, and died in New York on the 29th. He was buried at Arlington Military Cemetery where his remains will repose until they can be transferred and interred in Poland, which can only be when the political atmosphere there is more favorable.

In June, 1919, on the occasion of the opening of the First National Assembly of Poland, the Polish Government showed his portrait on a 15 gr. brown-red stamp, Scott's \$134. Thus Poland philatelically honored her statesman, Prime Minister Ignacy Jan Paderewski, who was greatly responsible for her recrea-

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# British Commonwealth Issues

By F. E. METCALFE

7 Leather Lane, Liverpool 2, England Editor, Commonwealth Catalogue of KGVI and QEII Stamps

IN spite of the fact that there are plenty of British Commonwealth stamps coming out just now there is not a great deal to be said about them. During January the Crown Agents released four new printings of existing stamps and of these all we got from the whole set of Hong Kong (less the 25c value) was a repeat of the colors of the stamps replaced. There are some very good shade varieties in this current set, and I can recommend all those which appear in the Commonwealth Catalogue listing, plus the 50c which will go in next time.

Another printing was of five values for Malta, and of these the 6d is worth attention, for instead of the original dark slate, we get a yet darker shade of a quite green-slate. A shade variety worth picking up, while current. Actually, the current set of Malta is quite a "good looker," which is more than can be claimed for many garish special issues which have been issued during the present reign.

I was interested to see that the grand old catalog, Scott's, has changed hands once more. It is not a catalog which is used much overseas, but you see them here in Britain, and I for one see that one is always handy. As one who has done a small amount of catalog editing, and thus appreciates the difficulties in getting everything just right, I have nothing but praise for Scott's.

Of course, the day is far past when one man, or even one firm can do justice to all stamps, in valuations or equitable listings. There are far too many stamps, and when you consider that in a mere decade or so from now the already fantastic numbers will have about doubled, you will realize that not only is impossible, to get anywhere with a general collection, but impossible to keep up with

a general catalog.

The latter will have to be split up (to a much greater degree than at present); various firms will have to do catalogs of the stamps they specialize in and understand. Or alternatively, specialist societies will have to take a bigger hand in the task than has been the case hitherto. The only difficulty about catalogs edited by specialist societies is a tendency to overload, and it is also a strange fact, that as a rule their greatest weakness, is in the valuations. Still the old fashioned general catalogs, must surely have had their day.

In the midst of all these new British Colonial issues that we have been getting recently, we simply take it for granted that we will only have to place our orders with the London Crown Agents,

even a day or two before issue, for the stamps to be delivered quite automatically, come rain or snow, on the office table, packed in perfect condition, and so certainly correct, as regards count, that there is not the slightest need to even check the contents of the parcels. How different it would be if we had to send out to the countries themselves. Of course, there is no government philatelic agency in the world which has such a complicated job to perform as the Crown Agents. For instance, during February it had twelve new issues to handle, besides a number of new printings to distribute, and of course to this must be added all the ordinary orders they have to fill for the definitive stamps for fifty-odd countries.

And don't forget when a new issue has to be distributed, most of the orders they receive are double, for dealers place orders for stamps which are being replaced as well as the new ones.

But this is the surprising feature of the service which the Crown Agents Stamp Bureau gives. In face of all the work they have to contend with, it might be thought that to get your stamps the day of issue, you would have to place your orders weeks ahead. Not on your life, about three days previously, no more, is generally all that is asked. I don't know how many thousands of orders I have placed with the Crown Agents throughout the years. I am still waiting for the first let-down.

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# Polish Field Post in 1939

### By DR. H. FENIGSTEIN

NE of the least known Field Posts of World War II is that of Poland. The Polish Army did not have any special military cancellations until the Spring of 1939, when, in expectation of trouble with Germany, the first so-called quiet mobilization was started. At first there were four armies organized, and the following Field Posts began to operate: PP. No. 50, P.P. No. 74, P.P. No. 178 and P.P. No. 184 (P.P. stands for "Poczta Polowa" or Field Post).

Due to the continuing German war preparation, in July 1939, the Polish Government called the second mobilization, and at this time we note a few new F.P.O.'s: P.P. Nos. 23, 34, 42, 46, 48, 81, 93 and 104.

Unfortunately, because all documents and records of the Polish Army were destroyed during the short fight with the German invaders, it is not known just how the Polish Field Post Offices were organized, how many there were, and what numbers there were. Because, theoretically, each division of the Army was supposed to have a Field Post Office and on September 1, 1939 there were a total of seventeen divisions under arms (and another twenty-two divisions were supposed to be in the process of being organized), there should be at least seventeen F.P.O.'s. Yet, until now, only fifteen are known.

The F.P.O.'s used round, black cancellations, 24 millimeters in diameter, with two kinds of inscriptions: (1) POCZTA at the top, date in the middle, and POLOWA Nr...





Fig. 2

Fig. 1

at the bottom, with letter "a", "b" or "c" above POLOWA (Fig. 1); and (2) POCZTA POLOWA Nr... at the top, date in the middle and letter "a", "b" or "c" between two stars at the bottom (Fig. 2). On some letters, instead of F.P.O. cancellations, ghost cancellations were used by means of cutting out the name of the town from the regular cancellations. The military mail was checked by military censors, who, in majority of cases, applied their marks either by hand or by special rubber stamps with their signatures.

According to my knowledge, the military personnel who used the services of the F.P.O.'s paid the normal postal rates. In August 1939 special Field Post cards were issued for the use of the Polish Armed Forces. They were light green with black inscriptions: at the top in the middle (I give the English transla-

tion) FIELD POST, and underneath POSTCARD with a vertical line. On the left side of this line:

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For civilians writing to the soldiers special postcards were prepared, but, because of the short duration of the war, they were not put into use. Due to the terrible devastation of Poland during the war, there are not too many pieces of correspondence with cancellations of the Polish Field Post in existence.

Philatelic literature and my own records show twenty-four different cancellations of the 15 known F.P.O.'s until now. Here is the list with the months seen on cancellations:

23a '	Type	1	July
236	Type	1	Aug.
23c '	Type	1	Aug.
28b	Type	2	Aug.
28c	Type	2	Aug.
34b	Туре	1	
34c	Type	1	Sept.
42a	Type	1	Sept.
46b	Type	1	Aug.
46c	Type	1	Aug.
48c	Type	1	Aug. & Sept.
50a	Type	1	?
50b	Type	1	April
50c	Type	1	April
73a	Type	1	July
74a	Type	2	March
74b	Type	2	April
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For each club the officers and meeting nights (with subject for each date) are listed, also founding date, and the British Isles societies are listed by district.

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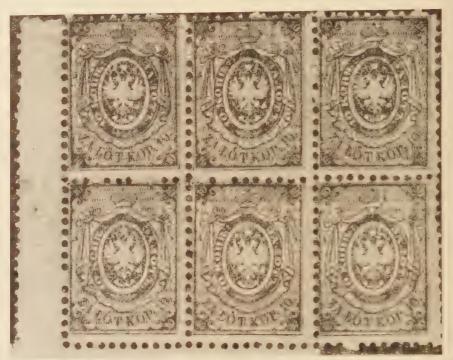
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By WALTER SZYMLEK



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When the whole of Poland was occupied by three neighboring powers, and only a small part of the country known as the Kingdom of Poland, with its capital Warsaw, retained its independence, Imperial Russia proceeded to crush the remnants of independence in the Kingdom until it resulted in a Polish Uprising. After its suppression, Count Passkiewicz, who was nominated as Governor, continued the work of the Polish independent administration. After his death his successor Duke Gorczakow alleviated the oppression of the Poles to some extent, and the administration of the Postal District for the Kingdom of Poland obtained permission to issue its own envelopes and postage stamps.

On January 1, 1860, the first Polish postage stamp was introduced.

with a simultaneous withdrawal of all Russian stamps and envelopes. The first Polish postage stamp, of 10 kopeyek face value, featured the 1858 Coat of Arms of the Kingdom of Poland-the Russian eagle having on its breast a shield with the Polish eagle. Total printing of this adhesive was about three million copies. They were in use until April 13, 1865. An armed uprising against the Russia Imperial domination resulted in the complete liquidation of the administration of the Kingdom of Poland, and soon Russian postage stamps and envelopes again replaced those of the Kingdom. It was not until after World War I when Poland regained her independence that the next postage stamps of Poland appeared.

The 100th birthday of the first Polish postage stamp is the theme of this year's POLPEX, the Annual Exhibition of the Polonus Philatelic Society. The event will be commemorated with the printing of a souvenir seal in four colors, reproducing Polond No. 1

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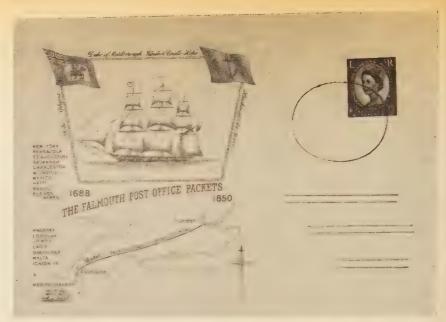
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ROLAND L. HUSTIS, pioneer collector of Wisconsin covers and founder-president of Wisconsin Postal History Society until he stepped aside five years ago because of ill health, died January 22, 1960, at Moline, Illinois. He had been stricken while paying a holiday visit here to a married daughter.

Born at Milwaukee on April 29, 1886, Mr. Hustis was a mechanical engineer with A. O. Smith Corporation, Milwaukee, until his retirement in 1951. A lifelong stamp collector, he had specialized in recent years on the postal history of Milwaukee County, and his collection of this material ranged from pre-territorial covers to corner cards. Perhaps his greatest contribution to philatelic research was his monograph on cancellations of the Milwaukee & Mississippi Rail Road, published as a handbook by the American Philatelic Society. His collection included eight of the ten known covers of that early and elusive railroad.

Another notable Hustis collection included several volumes of the U. S. Brown of 1883, specialized, with fancy and other cancellations, reissues, large pieces, and covers, including forts and territorials. He also had a general collection of used 19th Century U. S. in exceptionaly fine quality with heavy representation of the 1851 and 1857 issues.

Mr. Hustis was a member of the American Philatelic Society, Trans-Mississippi

Philatelic Society, Iowa Postal History Society, and Milwaukee Philatelic Society, of which he was a past president. Besides his daughter, he is survived by his widow, a brother, and five grandchildren.

—ARTHUR VAN VLISSINGEN

### Polonus Exhibition Notes

THE hours for the Polonus Philatelic Exhibition at the Museum and Archives of the Polish Roman Catholic Union, 984 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago 22, Illinois, are as follows:

Friday, March 4—5:00 to 10:00 P.M.; Saturday, March 5—10:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.; Sunday, March 6—10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Invitations have been mailed to all known collectors of Poland No. 1, and it is planned to show these in a special section of the exhibition.

Polpex Chairman Roman Strzelecki advises that many other plans are being made to insure an unusually interesting and historical exhibit at this event which honors the centenary of Polish stamps and the 100th anniversary of the birth of Paderewski.

The exhibit, aside from the invitational displays, is restricted to members of the Society, but all collectors are invited to attend, and any information concerning the show will be glady furnished by Mr. Strzelecki, whose address is 1439 No. Bell Ave., Chicago 22, Illinois.

-BERT POWELL

# April Exhibition for "906" Stamp Club

THE 906 Stamp Club of Massachusetts Correctional Institution at South Walpole, Massachusetts, will hold its fourth philatelic exhibition on Saturday, April 23, 1960. In the three preceding exhibitions they have had frames of entries by inmates, by honorary members, and the general public. The exhibition is open to all collectors and dealers.

Persons desiring cacheted covers being brought out for the event may obtain them at 10c each, three for 25c, from Joseph J. Romano, Jr., Pres., 906 Stamp Club, Box 100, South Walpole, Mass. The novelty prison cachet and covers will be serviced in the institution by Postmaster William J. Dowd, of South Walpole Post Office. Prospectus of the exhibition may also be obtained from Joseph J. Romano.

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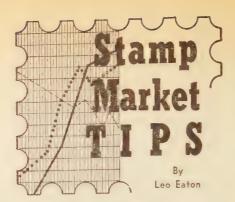
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### - TIPOFF-

ARGENTINA - Scott's #459-466, the 1939 set commemorating the Eleventh Congress of the Universal Postal Union, is a pictorial issue with some thematic appeal. Many collectors, on taking up forerunners of the 1948 UPU issues, drew on the meager supplies available to the trade. Today this issue is practically off the market and is found only sporadically in collections. Half Scott's valuation is a rate which favors the collector over the dealer.

SWITZERLAND—According to Zumstein's Revue, only 22,700 complete sets exist of Scott's #4029-4039. The key stamps to this set seem to be the 30 centimes value (#4034) with only 22,700 copies and the 25 centimes value (#4033) with 28,-200 copies in existence. This 1950 issue, overprinted for the use in the International Bureau of Education, is collected not only by thousands of general and Swiss

collectors, but also by many collectors of United Nations related material who are drawing on the fast dwindling meager supply. Today this set still sells for only \$2.20 to \$2.50, and this, compared with the size of the issue, is very little. I recommend this issue very highly for future appreciation. For those collectors who are still missing this set, waiting won't pay. It is still around and easy to find, so get a bargain while it is one.

CEYLON-A 10 rupee revenue stamp, not listed by Scott but mentioned in a footnote after #289, found its postal use from December 1, 1952, to March 14, 1954. This stamp was mentioned in this column some time ago. From personal experience I can only add that not too many clean, postally used copies have been seen. Should this stamp find its place in our standard catalog one of these days, the price will not be the same as it is now. It should not be too difficult to find a nice, clean, postally used copy, but it might become extremely difficult to do so if this stamp should become a major number in Scott's.

INDIA—It has been a long time since I mentioned Scott's #M44-45, the Korea Custodial Unit issue of 1953. This set catalogs today at \$6.80, and half of Scott's valuation should buy this issue. There are no stocks to speak of here or abroad. Because of the very active market in anything pertaining to the United Nations, this set should show a good return on the money you spend.

CHILE-Scott's #276 plus #C166, issued to commemorate the centenary of Chile's first postage stamp, can be found almost everywhere here in the USA. South of the Border this issue is already considered a GOOD issue, while stocks of this commemorative, with such strong thematic background, are still plentiful here in the States. My guess is that \$1.00 can buy this pair which should be bought now while the price is low and not any different from the new issue price in 1953.

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### SLOGAN CANCELLATIONS

Green River, Wyoming, and Oakland, California, will utilize the slogan cancellation "1860 - PONY EXPRESS - 1960 FOUNDERS: RUSSELL, MAJORS AND WADDELL," from April 1 through September 30, 1960. Other cities which have already announced use of this cancellation are: San Francisco and San Rafael, California.

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### WINTER OLYMPICS F.D. CANCEL

The pictorial first day cancellation applied to covers at Olympic Valley, California, on February 18, 1960, depicted a skier holding aloft a flaming Olympic torch.

### CPEDO STAMP NOTES

A NUMBER of details relative to the remaining five "Credo" stamps have been announced by Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield.

From the viewpoint of timeliness, most important is the decision to change the issuance date of the 4-cent Benjamin Franklin "Credo" stamp from March 23, 1960, to March 31, 1960. First day ceremonies will be held at the Franklin Institute, in Philadelphia.

The 4-cent Jefferson "Credo" will be launched at Monticello, Jefferson's home, on May 18, 1960. The frame and lettering will be printed in gray, and the flaming sword and signature in red.

The 4-cent Francis Scott Key "Credo" stamp will be first placed on sale September 14, 1960, at Baltimore, Maryland.

The 4-cent Lincoln "Credo" will be released in November on a date and at a site to be announced later.

Completing the group of six "Credo" stamps as announced, will be the 4-cent Patrick Henry stamp, to appear at Richmond, Virginia, early in January 1961. Details as to colors, and instructions for the forwarding of covers will be announced later.

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WE are in receipt of the 1960 (third) edition of Comparative Values of Ghost Towns by Harrington Adams, which shows an increase from twelve to sixteen pages. There are now 845 towns in this elusive category.

The Need for Correct Listing-The Post Office Department issues an advance notice of offices about to be closed or changed. Quite often the original order is modified or is rescinded before going into effect. Sometimes the later orders are overlooked and as a result both collectors and dealers are confused.

This new booklet includes post offices which have been abandoned, those which have been taken over by other offices and are now branches or stations, and post offices which have had their names officially changed by the Post Office Department. Because of truck delivery of mail from central points many consolidations and changes are being made. The edition lists ninety-five new "Ghosts."

Why Call Them "Ghost Towns"--The use of the symbol "DPO" (Discontinued Post Office) is often confusing to collectors. We tend to think of a Post Office as a building and at times we are surprised to find a DPO operating at the old stand although its name or status may be

changed.

"DPONOP" or Discontinued Post Office Name on Precancels, might be more suitable but "Ghost Town" is easier. We like the name "Ghost Towns" to imply that the particular town no longer appears on precancels. And this brings us to an-

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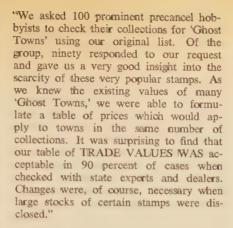
What Do "TOWN COLLECTORS" Collect?—It appears that so called "Town Collectors" actually save post office names on precancels. If the name of the post office is officially changed, then it becomes a new town to collect. This in spite of the fact that the same building may house the post office. When Stelton, New Jersey, became Edison, N. J., we counted it as another town. The same thing happened when Kilbourne, Wis., was changed to Wisconsin Dells. There are many other examples in town books and catalogs where more than one name has been used for the same location.

How Comparative Values Were Determined-Mr. Adams states in his booklet

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Most of the material used for today's column is taken from the booklet "Ghost Towns" and the opinions expressed are those of Mr. Adams and not ours.

Precancel collectors can obtain free copies of this booklet as long as available by sending a 6 x 9 envelope, self-addressed with 3c stamp attached for an unsealed mailing or 8c postage if First Class is desired. The booklet can be folded into a No. 10 envelope in case the large size is not available. Address: Harrington Adams, 2400 Salisbury, Winter Park, Florida.

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Mar. 2—Philatelic Society of Cincinnati meeting at the Hotel Sinton at 8:00 P.M. Ralph Hoffman will be the featured speaker.

Mar. 4—Skandia Philatelic Friends meeting at 7:00 P.M., at the Irvington Community Bldg., 1143 Clinton Ave., Irvington, N. J. Auction. Visitors cordially invited.

Mar. 4-Masonic Stamp Club of New York meeting at 8:00 P.M., at the Collectors' Club, 22 E. 35 St., New York City. Benjamin Glaser and Carl Pihl will discuss topics of interest. Past presidents will be honored. Visitors invited.

Mar. 4-Garfield-Perry Stamp Club meeting at 8:00 P.M., at the Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland, O. Color film of 1959 World Series will be shown.

Mar. 5-6—Cedar Rapids Stamp Club meeting at 8:00 P.M. at Hotel Roosevelt, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Iowa Postal History Society regional meeting.

Mar. 7-Phoenix Philatelic Association meeting at 8:00 P.M., at the Careteria Bldg., Osborn School, N. Central and Osborn Rd., Phoenix, Ariz. First annual popular cover contest.

Mar. 7-British Empire Study Group will be guest of the Postal History Society meeting at the Collectors Club, 22 E. 35 St., New York City. Three members of the Group will show their material.

Mar. 8-Cleveland Stamp Club meeting for presentation of awards won at the club's Stamp Club Exhibition held Jan. 30-31. Top winners were Mrs. Beatrice Stern, Mrs. Irma Quast and Hans Tonne.

Mar. 8-Long Island Chapter of the American Topical Association meeting at 8:00 P.M., at the home of William Groves, 38 Scholar Lane, Levittown, N.Y. A Kilo Night will be featured.

Mar. 9—Washington Philatelic Society, Arts Club of Washington, 2017 I St., N.W., Washington, D.C., will hold quarterly business meeting.

Mar. 9-New York City Chapter of the Vatican City Philatelic Society meeting at 8:00 P.M., at the Kolping House, 165 E. 88 St., New York City. Visitors cordially invited.

Mar. 25-26-The Haddonfield Stamp Club will hold its fourth annual exhibit in the County Branch Y.M.C.A., Haddonfield, N.J. There will be 100 frames on display. Admission free.

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ARGENTINA-Our thanks to Ernesto Andreotti, Carlos A. Saenz, Julian A. Troxler, E. Van Der Wee and Mauricio Yastremiz for first day covers of the Pro-Children set issued February 6, 1960, as reported in our January 16th issue. The values are 20c+10c, 50c+20c, m\$n 1.00 +50c, m\$n 2.00 + m\$n 1.00, and m\$n 3.00 +m\$n 1.50.

CANAL ZONE—We are indebted to Rudolph L. Crespo, Balboa, for a first day cover of the 4c Boy Scout stamp issued February 8, 1960, as forecast in our January 23rd issue.

CEYLON—The commemorative stamps honoring the late Prime Minister Bandaranaike, who was assassinated on September 26, 1959, will be issued on the first anniversary of his death. The values of the stamps will be 4c and 10c, the inland printed matter and letter rates, to give the stamps the widest possible distribution in Ceylon.

-Terence Tambinayagam, Mt. Lavinia, Ceylon

CHINA (COMMUNIST)—Our thanks to the China Philatelic Company, Peking, for a first day cover and copies of the three-value set issued January 26, 1960, commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Tsunyi Conference, a meeting of the Chinese Communist Party which established the leadership of the Central Committee headed by Mao Tse-tung. The values, colors and designs are as follows: 4 fen, blue, building which housed the Tsunyi Conference; 8 fen, multi-colored, portrait of Mao Tse-tung; 10 fen, green, reproduction of the painting, "Forced Crossing of the Chinsha River." The set was designed and engraved by the artists of the Stamp Issuing Bureau, and printed by the Peking Postage Stamp Printing

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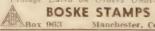
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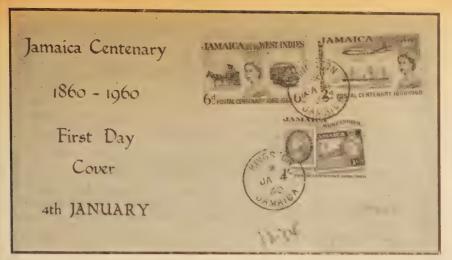


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CHINA (FORMOSA)—At the end of February 1960, a set of three stamps will be issued honoring the "Thunder Tiger" aerobatic team of the Chinese Nationalist Air Force. The set, which will show various formations of the planes, will consist of the following values and designs: NT\$1.00, "Bomb Burst"; NT\$2.00, "Loop"; NT\$5.00, "Passing Over in Diamond Formation." The stamps will be printed by multi-color photogravure. Our thanks to the Directorate General of Posts, Taiwan, and the China Philatelic Agency in the U.S.A., Baltimore, for the information.

COLOMBIA—Our thanks to *Diego* Silva-Parra, Bogota, for copies of the 5c St. Vincente of Paul stamp, overprinted "unificado."

COOK ISLANDS—The 5d. denomination of the current series is being overprinted 1/6, the airmail letter rate, and will be issued on April 1, 1960. Stocks of the 5d. denomination will be withdrawn from sale after the close of business on March 31, 1960. Our thanks to the General Post Office, Wellington, New Zealand, and to the New Zealand Government Senior Trade Commissioner, Washington, D. C.

CYPRUS—We are indebted to the Crown Agents Representatives, Washington, D. C., for copies of the 5 mils and 15 mils values of the overprinted current pictorial series to be issued March 19, 1960, as reported in our January 2nd issue. The overprint, "Cyprus Republic" in Greek and Turkish, is also to be applied to all stamped stationery, viz air letter forms, registration envelopes, postcards and newspapers. The values of the overprinted set are 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 50, 100, 250 and 500 mils, and f1

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC—The 13c San Cristobal airmail commemorative, forecast in our December 19th issue, was scheduled for release February 25, 1960.

On February 6, 1960, the 1c and 2c values of the Rhadames Bridge definitive set were released.

-Sellos Dominicanos, Ciudad Trujillo



Philippines cover from F. Francisco with the stamps issued for the 25th anniversary of the Philippine Constitution. Similar covers came from Yang Siu-Chong and Chan Hoan Chay.

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GERMANY (EAST)—Fritz Barz reports that the Leipzig Spring Fair set, which was scheduled for issue on February 17, 1960, as reported in our February 20th issue, consists of the following values, colors and designs: 20 Pf., red and gray, Northern entrance of the Technical Fair grounds and part of a stylized globe; 25 Pf., blue and gray, Leipzig Ringmessehaus and part of a stylized globe. The stamps, designed by F. Deutschendorf, are printed by offset in sheets of fifty, on "crossflowers" watermarked paper by the VEB Deutsche Wertpapierdruckerie, Leip-

Mr. Barz also informs us that a set of anti-fascists is scheduled for issue at the end of February 1960.

HUNGARY—The Kiskunhalas lace set will be issued in February 1960. The eightvalue set, designed by Eva Zombory, will consist of the following values and colors: 20 f., black; 30 f., lilac; 40 f., bluish-green; 60 f., brown; 1 Ft., blackish-green; 1.50 Ft., olive green; 2Ft., blue; 3 Ft., winered. The values on all the stamps are printed in orange. There will be an edition of 400,000 perforated sets and 15,000 imperforate sets.

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IRAQ—Our thanks to J. Hannaney, Baghdad, for copies of the 10 fils (purple) and 30 fils (green) stamps issued February 1, 1960, to celebrate the failure of an abortive attempt on the life of Abdul Kerim, head of the Iraqi State. The set was printed by the Thomas La Rue firm in England, in sheets of 100.

ITALY—The forthcoming Olympic set will probably go on sale on August 25, 1960, and be composed of eight values. Four of the stamps are to show sports arenas (Olympic Stadium, Velodrome, Sport Palace, Flaminio Stadium). The other four values will reproduce classic sport statues ("Discus Thrower," "Apoxiomenos," "Roman Consul on the Way to the Games," and "Boxer in Repose").

-Pierson Ostrow

JAMAICA—Our thanks to E. F. Aguilar, Kingston, for a first day cover of the three-value set issued January 4, 1960, commemorating the centenary of the First Jamaican Postage Stamp, as forecast in our November 28th issue. The values are 2d., 6d., and 1/-.

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Mr. Dill also reports that on April 7, 1960, two semi-postals will be issued for World Refugee Year. The values will be 30+10 rappen and 50+10 rappen. Also to be issued on that date are two airmail definitives in the denominations of 1.20 francs and 1.50 francs.

MALTA - We are indebted to the Crown Agents' Representative, Washington, D. C., for copies of the six-value set issued February 9, 1960, in honor of the 19th Centenary of the Shipwreck of St. Paul, as forecast in our Jan. 2nd issue. The values of the rectangular stamps are 11/2d., 3d., and 6d. The values of the diamondshaped stamps are 8d., 1/-, and 2/6.

MEXICO-Part of the approved 1960 stamp program will be a stamp overprinted for the Philatelic Congress to be held in Mexico City, June 25-29th.

-Jack Knight Air Mail Society, Brookfield, Ill.

NETHERLANDS-On April 7, 1960, a two-value World Refugee Year set will be issued in the denominations of 12c and 30c. The 1960 Summer Stamps set will be issued during the first week of April 1960. —F. B. Trieture, Rotterdam

NETHERLANDS NEW GUINEA-A set of two stamps will be issued April 7, 1960, for World Refugee Year. The 25c (blue) and 30c (ochre) stamps, designed by Christian Moor, will depict a seated figure of a dejected woman and the U.N. World Refugee Year symbol. The set will be printed from deep copper plates by Joh. Enschede and Sons, Haarlem.

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PERU—Our thanks to L. P. Entwistle, Lima, for copies of the new values issued recently, as forecast in our January 23rd issue. The values are: airmails-\$/3.00, S/3.80; regular postage—20c, 30c, 50c, S/1.00, and S/2.00. The S/3.80 airmail is a new value and design. The other issues are very close in color to the old set and have the imprint of the printer, Joh. Enschede & Sons, Holland, on them.

PHILIPPINES—We are indebted to F. Francisco, Yang Siu-Chong and Chan Hoan Chay, for first day covers of the triangular stamp set issued February 8, 1960, in honor of the 25th anniversary of the Philippine Constitution, reported in our February 20th issue. The values of the stamps are 6c and 30c.

SAN MARINO-Our thanks to the Government Philatelic Office for copies of the ten-value bird set issued January 28, 1960, reported in our February 6th issue. The stamps, designed by Franzoni, were printed in multi-color by photogravure, in sheets of forty on star-watermarked paper. The values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 60, 80, and 110 lire.

SPAIN-Carlos Lenze, Madrid, reports that on March 25, 1960, a five-value set will be issued in honor of the Barcelona CIF Congress and International Stamp Exhibition. Four of the stamps will be in the value of 1 Pta. and one stamp will have the denomination of 5 Ptas. The four low values, to be printed in a set of 300,000, will depict a gallion, a pelotari, a danzarina and a bison of the Altamira grotto. The 5 Ptas. value, to be printed in an edition of 360,000, will depict Christ of the Lepanto Battle.

SURINAM-The Zanderij Airport terminal building set, to be issued March 12, 1960, as reported in our February 13th issue, will consist of five triangular stamps depicting twenty-five years in the history of Surinam's Civil Aviation. The stamps, printed by J. Enschede & Sons, Holland, will be in the following values, colors and designs: 8c, blue, Charles Lindbergh's plane; 10c, green, De Snip plane; 15c, pink, Cessna 170B plane; 20c, lilac, Super-Constellation; 40c, brown, Boeing 707 PAA plane.

-Surinam Philatelic Agency, New York

TOGO-The Togo Philatelic Agency, New York, reports that the World Refugee Year semi-postal set will consist of five values. The designs will show the U.N. symbol for World Refugee Year and a symbolic tree. The denominations are 0.30, 0.50, 1F., 25F., and 45F., plus a surcharge on each.

A set of nine values will be issued in honor of Togo's independence on April 27, 1960. The set will consist of regular stamps in the values of 0.30, 0.50, 1F., 10F., 20F., and 25F. These will depict the portrait of Prime Minister Sylvanus Olympio. The three airmails will bear the values of 100F., 200F., and 500F. The 100F and 200F values will show the new Hotel Benin and the Togolese coat-of-arms;

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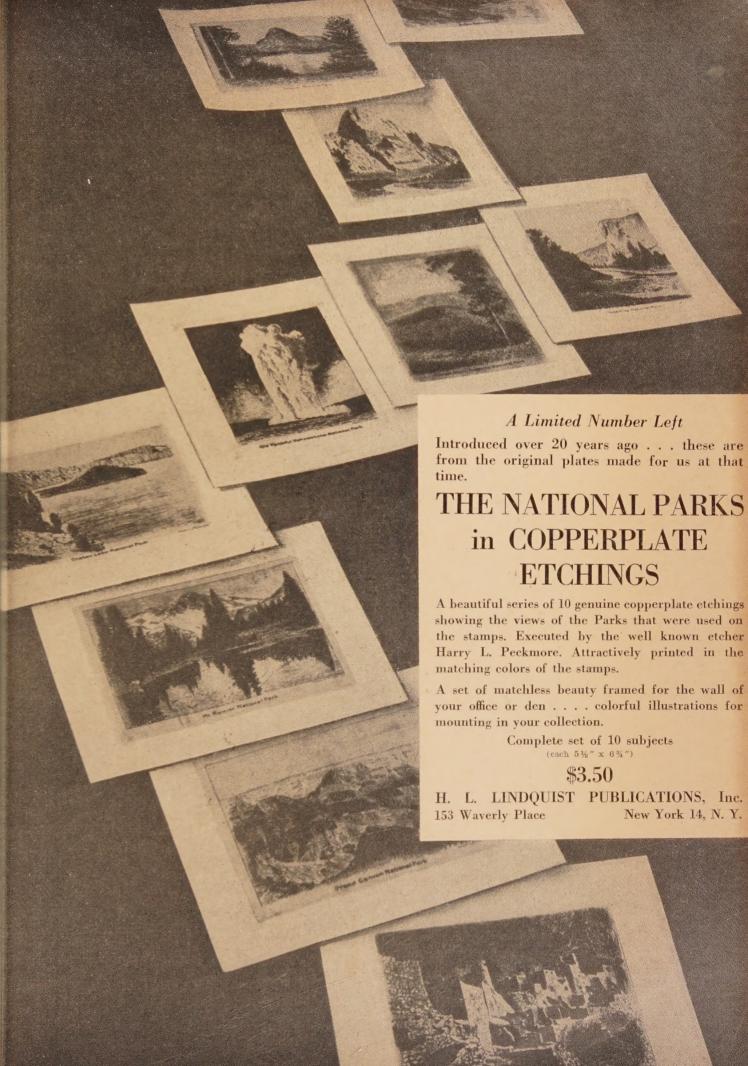
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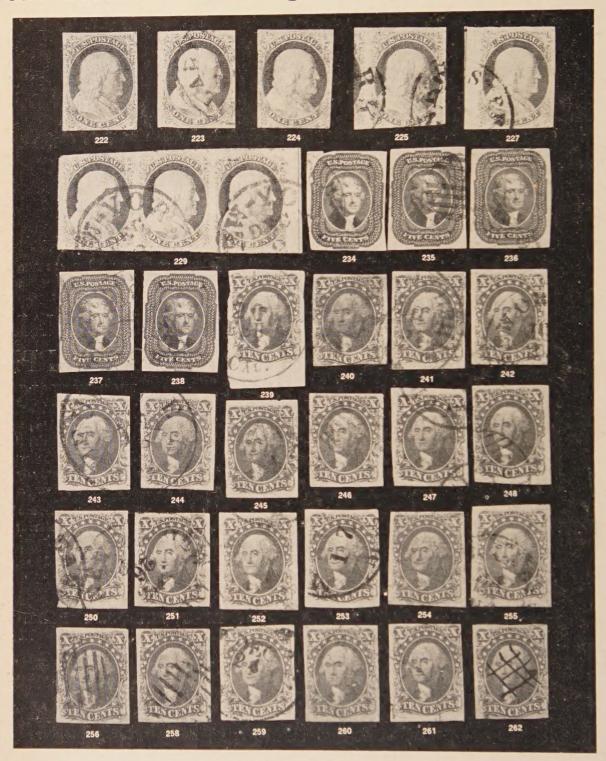
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